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First Of A Series: Columbus First Church Stewardship Program Primarily A Spiritual One

The growing, vibrant stewardship program of the First Church of Columbus reflects the spirit of a great church, and, in the words of the pastor, Dr. S. R. Woodson, the program is first of all a spiritual one.

It grows out of a desire to build a church that meets the needs of the community and reaches out to the ends of the earth in its ministry.

This church this year has a regular budget of \$93,750 with exactly one-half of it allocated to missions and benevolences. Of the one-half (\$46,875) going to missions, \$38,500 of that goes to the Cooperative Program.

The church also this year has a Building Enlargement Budget of \$25,000 which has already been raised, giving it a grand total budget of \$118,750.

In sharp contrast, the budget of the church in 1947 was \$45,000, less than half the budget for this year. The above record did not just happen, but was the result of several years of planning, prayer, organization and vision.

The Stewardship program of the church is centered around several points of emphasis—unified budget, Every-Member Canvass, tithing. (Continued on Page 2)

Dry Forces To Use Baptist Hour Time

The Southern Baptist Radio Commission has graciously relinquished the Baptist Hour time in Mississippi in order to permit the dry forces to present the case against legalization of liquor.

The following Mississippi stations carry The Baptist Hour Program: WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WJPR, Greenville, 6 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLAU, Laurel, 8 a. m.; WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 3:30 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRAG, Carrollton, Ala., 2 p. m. The dry forces have sent to these stations a recording for use at the usual Baptist Hour time.

The United Dry office informs that most of them have carried it but some have refused to do so.

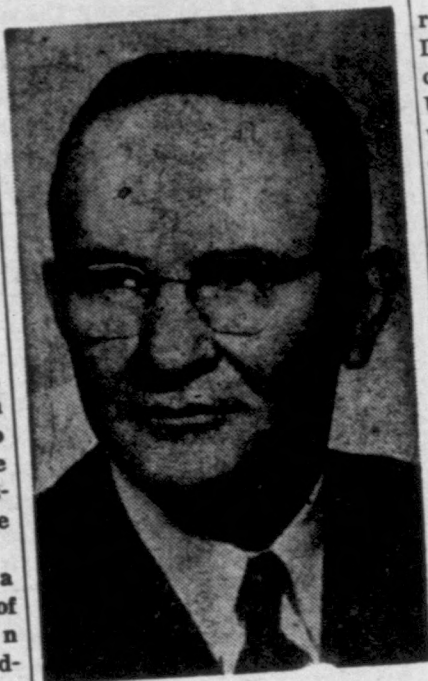
Every reader of this paper is urged to check their station and if it is carried be certain to listen to it for some of the leading Christians of the state will speak on the subject.

Candidates Asked To State Position On Vatican Envoy

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—A request that the Republican and Democratic Presidential nominees clearly state their position on United States diplomatic relations with the Vatican was sent to General Eisenhower and Governor Stevenson by Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Glenn L. Archer, executive director of the organization, told the two party standard-bearers in identical worded letters that the American people expect each candidate "to make known his position on the most significant issues now before the nation." The Vatican-recognition question, he said, is "one of particular interest to all Americans who wish to preserve the democratic concept of Church-State separation."

"I earnestly hope that after examining this question on its merits (Continued on Page 2)



DR. S. R. WOODSON

How To Lose Money

The wets claim that legalizing liquor would provide much money for our state treasury.

But claims are not facts. Here are some facts.

According to the City Manager Monty Jones as reported in the Wichita Beacon:

"Legalization of liquor was sited Saturday by City Manager Monty Jones as the major cause of the increased cost of law enforcement in Wichita.

"The Manager said that police operations in Wichita in 1950 have already increased more than \$51,000 above the budget appropriation, and the city last week filed an emergency request with the state commission of revenue and taxation for funds to provide ten additional patrolmen and equipment.

"In the field of general enforcement, Jones said, arrests for intoxication are up 40 per cent over the corresponding period of 1949, and arrests for drunk driving are up 76 per cent.

"He also pointed out that a relatively small part of the needed increase in expenditures is being borne by the city's share of the two-percent liquor enforcement tax. To date, approximately \$21,000 has been received from this source, and it is anticipated that total liquor revenue received by the city in 1950 will amount to only approximately \$40,000 as contrasted with \$77,000 increase in police department expenditures."

Here is evidence from neighboring Louisiana. "Liquor-influenced crime is costing Baton Rouge more than incoming revenue from this source, a city councilman declared recently." The Baton Rouge Morning Advocate commented in September, 1949. "While exact figures of cost cannot be obtained, investigation reveals that he has come close to the mark."

Our readers are also reminded of a letter published in a previous issue stating that Massachusetts was spending approximately six times as much for liquor's results as she was collecting in revenue.

Disregarding the many other reasons for voting dry, it will pay in dollars and cents.

Liquor Trade Called Worst Evil Of Today

"Citizens who vote to break down prohibition laws in Mississippi will have to share in the guilt for the lives wrecked and the homes destroyed by legalized liquor," Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis told a rally of Hinds County Drys Monday night.

Dr. Lee assailed the liquor traffic from the standpoint of humanity, Christianity, economics, and pure common sense. He pressed hard the point that it is a lawless force, not amenable to regulation or control, and that it would be a backward step for Mississippi to weaken in any way or to any degree, its laws against the liquor traffic.

Henry Edmonds, Jackson attorney and Director of the United Drys of the state, introduced Dr. Lee and made some preliminary remarks as the radio broadcast started.

Edmonds derided the wet forces of the state for hiding behind an anonymous "Citizens Committee" and for raising what he called the false issue of "home rule," which he labelled hokum, hocus-pocus, "or something."

The issue is whiskey—for it or against it, Edmonds insisted. The wet campaign is not fooling our people in the least, he declared.

To properly evaluate the campaign, you have to look at the motives, prompting the rival sides in this fight, he asserted. On the liquor side, people want personal indulgence, money profits, or political power, he declared.

On the dry side, he contended, the spiritual and moral leaders of

the state are interested only in the welfare of the state and its people.

Dr. Lee vehemently said the liquor traffic is the most lawless and uncontrolled evil of the day. It never touches an individual without leaving its indelible mark, he said. It never enters a home that it doesn't hurt its members, it never operates in a community without lowering its standards, and never failed in a nation to increase its taxes.

The speaker, former president of the Temperance League of America and thrice president of the Southern Baptist convention, told story after story of his experience with liquor victims through a ministry of over 40 years, and the tragedies his eyes have seen in those decades.

Liquor has had a part in the undoing of all the great nations of history, he said, and the same pall bearers will put the United States in its grave of national ruin if we permit it. Stand fast and vote to keep your state laws intact, he urged.

He quoted Thomas Jefferson as saying liquor has done more harm to public welfare than any force known; Gladstone said liquor destroyed more people than pestilence and famine; General J. J. Pershing said liquor destroyed more men than bullets of the enemy; and Lloyd George said liquor destroyed more food and men than German submarines.

He defined frog gin as a concoction which a man drinks, then (Continued on Page 2)

A Worthy Cooperative Program Goal

By CHESTER L. QUARLES
State Executive Secretary

Every Mississippi Baptist Church making a worthy contribution to the Cooperative Program during this Convention year!

The above statement is not a fact yet, but what a challenging goal it presents to all of us.

1154 of the 1674 churches in our state have already made a contribution this year and others are being added continuously.

This is an urgent appeal to those churches that have not already done so to make a worthy contribution soon.

The Cooperative Program is a great program of work—our program—promoting all the work of Christ to the ends of the earth.

Every church should make a contribution because the Cooperative Program is the principal

channel through which we promote all the work of Christ.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM IS CONVENTION-APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

Every church, small and large, should give, because in so doing it has a part in this cooperative world-wide effort. Giving to the Cooperative Program makes a church truly missionary.

Every church should give to the Cooperative Program because of what it does to and for the church itself.

The Association will be meeting soon and charts showing what each church has given during the past year will be shown.

Let us hope that every church at every association will show a contribution this year to the Cooperative Program.

Columbus . . .

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ing and missions.

The church recognizes giving as an act of worship and stresses one offering per Sunday to support all the work, to be placed in the plate at the first service attended.

The Every-Member Canvass is conducted over a six-week period after every detail has been planned by the committee, on which the pastor and educational director serve.

The responsibility of promoting the canvass is placed on the Sunday School.

The first four weeks of the Canvass embodies the preparation period, which includes stewardship sermons by the pastor, special programs in the church organizations, mailing of stewardship tracts and information, presenting of the church budget and showing of stewardship films.

During the final two weeks of the Canvass the church goes all-out in an effort to get every one to pledge.

Pledges are secured at all services of the church and its organizations the first Sunday. The second Sunday afternoon about 150 men canvass the city to secure the pledges of all who have not pledged.

On the following Tuesday night, a "follow-up" night is conducted to reach the last person.

When the Canvass is completed, the budget, which has been carefully and systematically prepared by the budget committee, is presented to the church for adoption.

Tithing is stressed throughout the preparation for the canvass and of the 1,275 who pledged to the 1952 budget, 585 signed as tithers.

The church places special emphasis on missions, as evidenced by its record. The Cooperative ZProgram is stressed as the principal channel through which all the work is promoted.

Special offerings are held to a minimum. All "Special Days" are observed from an educational standpoint with special offerings received in some of them.

All church money is handled in an orderly and business-like way.

A committee of Deacons count and deposit all funds. The church books are audited annually by a C. P. A. Quarterly financial statements are mailed to all members.

Tippecanoe Church recently closed their revival which resulted in six additions, all by baptism. Rev. C. E. Patch did the preaching.

The Baptist Record office is in receipt of a copy of the 1951 minutes of the Lamar County Association which was held with the Greenville Church. The next meeting will be with the Sumrall Church on October 13.

The Orphanage expects to be represented in many of the Associational meetings this fall. All associations are urged to give their people an opportunity of making a FREE WILL LOVE OFFERING FOR THE CHILDREN which has been an annual custom since the Orphanage was established in 1894.

GUM GROVE REVIVAL ADDS THIRTEEN

Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor of the First Church of Magee, was the guest evangelist during the recent revival at Gum Grove Church in Lincoln county. There were 13 additions, 10 by baptism.

Rev. Clarence Young, student at Mississippi College, led the singing. He also led in a visitation and soul-winning program. There were a number of rededications.

Rev. J. M. Spikes is pastor.

Siloam Goes Full Time

Siloam Church voted unanimously on Sunday, August 10, to have a full-time church program. This is the first rural church in Clay county to adopt a full time program. Until this action was taken the church was half-time.

Rev. G. C. Sansing has been pastor of the Siloam Church for one year. Marked increases have been noted in every phase of the work; the Training Union attendance having more than tripled. A Wednesday night prayer service was started during the year and reached a peak attendance of 97 recently. There have been 51 additions during the year. Eighty-eight were awarded study course seals recently and 88 received Vacation Bible School certificates.

I went to China to live and to share the message of God's love which is sufficient for salvation and adequate for victorious and compassionate living for human beings anywhere and everywhere to the ends of the earth — Mabella Coleman, missionary to Formosa, formerly of the China staff.

Liquor Trade . . .

(Continued from Page 1) hops, then croaks, and said many a woman was striving to keep the wolf from the door while living with a bear in the house. He said a farmer who bought a pig for \$1, fed him \$40 worth of corn and sold him for \$9 was making money on the hog, but losing money on the corn. Similarly, he quoted a statistic from Massachusetts where it costs 4½ times the total liquor tax receipts to take care of the problems created by liquor.

Dr. Lee said that we have to live with ourselves, and therefore we must, for the sake of morality and happy homes vote against the liquor legalization plan on August 26.

Candidates Asked . . .

(Continued from Page 1) its," Dr. Archer said, "you will issue a forthright statement indicating that you are opposed to diplomatic relations with the Vatican on any level, high or low."

He said that President Truman's nomination of Gen. Mark W. Clark as Ambassador to the Vatican last October gave rise to "a violently divisive national controversy," and made it "apparent that large numbers of Americans were resolutely opposed to any kind of U. S. diplomatic tie-up with any church organization."



REV. A. B. PIERCE

Shown above is Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of First Church of Kosciusko and a member of the Board of Trustees at Clarke College, who will bring the opening address there at 11 o'clock on Friday morning September 5.

Other outstanding events of the day are the Annual Brunswick Stew at 12:30; at 1:30, the annual meeting of the Clarke College Fellowship. Rev. O. L. Chambers, pastor of Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church of Vicksburg, is president of the fellowship.

Center Terrace Church Beats Summer Slump

Even though the weather has been hot, the work at Center Terrace Church in Canton has been progressing of late.

There have been 15 additions to the church since June 1, 7 for baptism, Sunday School attendance in July averaged 60 more than last July.

The church building, now valued at \$80,000 was recently completed, with only a debt of \$14,000 remaining.

Six members of the church attended one of the Training Union Weeks at Ridgecrest during July. Rev. C. O. Estes is the pastor of the church.

There were 14 decisions, 8 of them for baptism, in the Revival at the Schlater Church, Rev. Marcus Alexander, pastor. Rev. Glen Flynt, pastor of Perkinson church was the evangelist.

Rev. Gordon Griffin has resigned the pastorate of Bethel Church in Amite county to answer the call to serve as a chaplain in the Navy. He has served the Bethel church for seventeen months as full-time pastor. Mr. Griffin and family were to soon occupy the parsonage which is nearing completion.



Pictured from left to right are: A. L. Lowry, Clarence Hudson, D. L. Edwards, Maxie Greer, Billy Wayne Meese and "Little Edwards" after they fenced in a garden plot for Rev. D. L. Edwards, pastor of Sylvaena Church in Copiah County.

Since the coming of Pastor D. L. Edwards in June the Brotherhood has erected a church sign on Highway 51, cleared a garden spot for the pastor, bought him a suit of clothes and paid his hospital bill for the arrival of a new baby.

Byram Church in Hinds county will have their summer revival August 24-31. Rev. Alvin R. Smith, pastor at Kilmichael, will be the evangelist and Rev. G. Arnold Hanaford, pastor of Magee's Creek Church in Waltham county, will lead the singing. Rev. Henry J. Bennett is pastor.

SAMPLE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
Special Referendum Election
AUGUST 26, 1952
Senate Bill No. 565

- A. For allowing counties upon petition of 20% of the qualified electors to vote for or against legalizing the sale of intoxicating liquor of an alcoholic content of more than 4% alcohol by weight _____ ()
- B. Against allowing counties upon petition of 20% of the qualified electors to vote for or against legalizing the sale of intoxicating liquor of an alcoholic content of more than 4% alcohol by weight _____ X

INSTRUCTIONS

The voter shall indicate his choice by putting a cross (X) or check (✓) mark opposite the words expressing his choice, using either a pen or an indelible pencil.

Mark The Bottom Line

☒ **AGAINST Legal Whiskey**

On August 26!!!

Distributed by UNITED DRY ASSOCIATION OF MISSISSIPPI
P. O. Box 481, Jackson, Miss.

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TOUCH THAT
TOP ONE!!!**



**To Vote
DRY-**

You Vote On Liquor

The Wets are claiming that the August 26 referendum is a question of home rule. They even say the election is not on liquor but on home rule.

Read the law. It specifically states that "if a majority of the qualified electors voting vote for the proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a control system for the whole state."

In other words, if the majority of the voters vote wet the legislature will be under mandate (as quoted above) to set up a system of liquor control.

Note that the kind of control is left to the legislature. Therefore, you vote blindly, if you vote wet. But you are voting on liquor. The legislature will determine the plan which is now unknown.

The Wets also cry piteously for county rule. Why the discrimination? Why favor liquor over other things?

Some sections of Mississippi would probably vote against the Sales Tax. Why not let that question be settled on a county basis? A few sections wish changes in ty rule on that?

the game and fish laws. Do we hear the wets clamoring for county rule on that?

Why not let each county decide on its road system. We have a STATE Highway Commission, not a county system.

Gambling seems to flourish in certain sections. If the Wets are consistent they will urge county rule on gambling.

And to be consistent why not let each county vote on narcotics, income taxes, election laws, auto laws, speed laws, Highway patrol, etc., etc.?

THERE IS SUCH A THING AS CONSISTENCY.

—BR—

Legalization No Cure

Many wets advance the argument that in some places the liquor laws are not enforced and therefore liquor should be legalized. They further assert that under legalization the laws would be respected and violations vanish.

So far as we know no laws are enforced 100 per cent.

In one daily paper we read of the following law violations: University of Kentucky, Election officers in New Orleans, Theft, Auto Theft, gambling, murder, and embezzlement. Evidently those law-breakers do not approve of our present laws. If the fact that the liquor laws are not fully enforced calls for their repeal, as the wets claim, would it not be equally as consistent to repeal any other law that is broken?

Alabama has legalized liquor, but two Mobile city detectives



for her sake...
VOTE
AGAINST
WHISKEY
August 26

were recently arrested in a roundup of 64 alleged liquor law violators. But the wets say legalization will do away with law-breaking. It didn't in wet Alabama.

Natchez has had the equivalent of legalization for years. Did it cure the evils of liquor? Read the words of Judge Walter D. Coleman, county youth court judge:

"There is an unbelievable volume of filth in Natchez." A large number of establishments "are debauching teen-agers, some of whom are not more than 12 years old." His remarks were made when a 15-year-old girl was brought into court "drunk and raped and probably doped."

Thirty-nine people were arrested in Washington county within a few days for violating the fishing laws.

Shall we repeal the fishing laws because some people violate them?

Shall we let each county vote on the fishing laws or shall it be a state-wide law?

Georgia, which legalizes liquor, is said to lead the nation in bootlegging. But the wets say legalization puts liquor into the hands of law-abiding citizens and hence prevents law-breaking.

In 1951 Kansas, which is wet, had 1465 Federal Retail Liquor Dealer stamps, but only 843 State Liquor Dealer Permits. Therefore, Kansas had at least 622 bootleggers besides those who paid no tax at all. But the Wets say, "Legalize and do away with bootleggers!"

In 1949 there were 38 dry counties in Arkansas and 37 Wet counties. The wet counties had 394 Liquor Dealer Stamps, the dry counties only 60. Legalization seems to have increased bootlegging in Arkansas.

In Louisiana the efforts of the Liquor Control Board, charged with licensing, controlling and policing the liquor traffic, have been so unsatisfactory that the legislature threatened to discontinue funds for future operations.

Thomas G. Schneidan, chairman of Louisiana's board of Alcoholic Beverage Control, said, ac-

cording to the Times-Picayune, "During the short time I have served on the board, I found a surprising number of retailers operating without a license—exactly 816 the first year I served." But the Wets say legalization will create respect for the law and promote enforcement!

Legalization has not prevented law-breaking in Kentucky. The Wet Louisville Courier-Journal recently carried the following:

"Whiskey distillers and wholesalers were warned today to stop violating Kentucky's liquor laws before they run themselves out of business..."

"Shearer told the group their illegal practices 'are sores on what appears to me is becoming the highly diseased body of the alcoholic beverage industry in Kentucky..."

Evidently legalization has not prevented violations of the liquor laws in Kentucky.

Recently the Clarion-Ledger reported that J. Clarence Evans, former Tennessee Commissioner of Finance and Taxation and three Tennessee alcohol agents, employed in Commissioner Evans' department, were indicted on a charge of illegal transportation of liquor.

Here we have a case of enforcement officers charged with liquor law violation. But the Wets say that legalization would cure law violations.

Legalization hasn't cured crime in Maine as indicated by the following Associated Press story: "...What brought out the bitterness in their contest was a legislative committee probe into charges of graft and influence peddling in the State liquor monopoly."

VOTE THE BOTTOM LINE AGAINST WHISKEY.

—BR—

Are There No Drys

A recent newspaper article was entitled "Strong Editorial Support Favors Local Option." The article quoted Mr. Alford, who is leading the wet forces, as saying "Editorials appearing in many leading

Mississippi newspapers are doing much..."

But he quotes only three papers. Why did he not also quote some of the many editorials on the Dry side?

And according to the article it would seem that only papers supporting legalization are LEADING papers. There is such a thing as fairness.

—BR—

Challenge Ignored

For weeks the Baptist Record has been calling attention to the benefits of prohibition. Both in evils of legalized liquor and the articles and in editorials we have called upon the wets to show us one state where conditions are better under legalization than under prohibition.

It is significant that not one instance of better conditions under legalization has been reported.

Under prohibition conditions may not be ideal, but under legalization they will be much worse.

—BR—

Don't Be Misled

Recently one of Mississippi's daily papers published a wet-dry poll in which it was indicated that approximately 44% of the people favored the dry cause and about 55% the wet cause.

Don't be misled. Remember that the poll was conducted by a wet newspaper. That should be sufficient.

We think a poll conducted by the Baptist Record would be overwhelmingly dry.

—BR—

The Jackson Daily News reports that "Bureau of Internal Revenue sleuths nosed out a possible quarter billion dollars worth of tax fraud in the last fiscal year." It seems that the Internal Revenue laws are not fully enforced. The Wets say that liquor should be legalized because the Prohibition laws are not perfectly enforced. By their logic we should also repeal our tax laws. As the law is violated, perhaps each county should be allowed to vote for or against taxes.

—BR—

According to Mr. J. Louis Alford, who is leading the campaign to legalize liquor, there are 2,001 Federally licensed liquor dealers in Mississippi. Therefore, he urges that liquor be legalized. If there are 2,001 bootleggers now disobeying the law, will legalization make law-abiding citizens out of them? Hardly.

—BR—

If legalization of liquor is so good and so popular why has Kentucky only 28 wet counties and 92 dry. Since 1937 the number of dry counties has risen from 26 to 92. Five of the 92 have one wet town each.

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The Leopard Cannot Change His Spots, But He Can Be Whitewashed

By N. S. JACKSON

Senate Bill 565 in its introduction and passage was known as a whiskey Bill. It was "an act to refer to the electorate at the first primary election in August, 1952, the question 'for' or 'against' the legalized sale of intoxicating liquor."

THE QUESTION WAS "LEGALIZED SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR."

The press, even the wet press, called the election a liquor election!

However, the leopard's spots were revealing his nature, and this must be concealed. On August 4, 1952 there appeared a committee—a self-styled Citizen's Committee for Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement—and gave the leopard a beautiful coat of—whitewash! Frenzied and vociferous effort is being made to divert the attention of our people from the real issue—LEGALIZED LIQUOR. While there is clamor to "let the people decide" in Mississippi, few of our people know that in ten states liquor has control of state governments, and the people are denied Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement, having no vote on liquor, whatever. In thirteen other states the people are denied a vote on beer. If this self-styled committee is sincere in effort to establish Home Rule we suggest that it move its activity into one of the states mentioned, where Home Rule is badly needed. We shall be glad to supply names of the ten states.

The United Dry Association is an association of Christian forces, of which Bishop Marvin Franklin, Methodist; Dr. Chester Quarles, Executive Secretary of Mississippi Baptists; Dr. T. G. Gillespie, President of Belhaven College, outstanding Presbyterian leader; and other church and civic leaders, compose the directing board of the organization. We ask what motive these great, Christian leaders have in giving their time, influence, effort, and money? The answer is obvious. What motive has the self-styled Committee for Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement? The answer to this question is also obvious.

The information gathered by the United Dry Association from FBI Crime Reports, and other authoritative sources, is being viciously attacked by a wet press, and also the personnel of the organization.

An editorial in a newspaper of August 12 is typical. In a pamphlet issued by the United Drys, "Get the Facts" comparison was made of conditions in Mississippi and Alabama, as shown by FBI Crime Reports, 1951. The editor "did not have the 1951 Report," but proceeded to show by earlier FBI Reports that the information given was wrong and wholly misleading. We quote from another paragraph, "For when our state is compared with South Carolina, the wet State with most nearly our population characteristics, it is found that Mississippi has more murder, more

robbery, and more aggravated assault than South Carolina, less larceny and fewer auto thefts per 100,000 population." The Annual Bulletin, 1951, FBI shows that South Carolina had more murder, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny, and auto theft. Only robbery was slightly less in South Carolina.

We are forced to conclude that statements made either indicate very careless compilation of statistics, or deliberate misrepresentation.

Further information, the Columbia Record of Columbia, South Carolina, reports 98 moonshine stills captured in July of this year, by Alcohol Tax Unit, while Mississippi's efficient Alcohol Tax Unit reports only 34.

To an editor, the editorial page should be as sacred as virtue to a woman, or honor to a man. We do not charge that any editor has sold his editorial page, but if so his moral guilt is as great as the woman of the streets who sells her body for a price; Benedict Arnold who betrayed his country, or Judas Iscariot who sold his Lord for thirty pieces of silver!

"Let the people decide" which leadership they will follow on August 26, remembering that they will decide the future welfare of the boys and girls of our State, and that some time they must appear before the Great White Throne to give account of deeds in this life.

—BR—



J. MONROE LANOMON

J. Monroe Lanomon, who is at present completing work for the Ph. D. degree at the University of Texas, will join the teaching staff of Mississippi College in Clinton this fall as an instructor in the departments of education and psychology, replacing Samuel W. Cochran, who is leaving to continue his graduate studies.

—BR—

According to the July report of receipts which has been issued by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Mississippi's receipts totaled \$25,078. Of this amount \$21,240 was given through the Cooperative Program.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION

ATTENDANCE
August 17, 1952

Jackson, Northside	530	134
Jackson, Van Winkle	465	278
Jackson, First	1212	310
Main Church	1085	268
Broadmoor Chapel	127	42
Jackson, Crestwood	535	
Jackson, Parkway	908	407
Jackson, Parkway Chapel	140	120
Jackson, Calvary	1271	266
Calvary Mission	53	54
Jackson, Daniel Mem.	546	288
Jackson, South Side	343	157
Springfield (Scott Co.)	140	97
Raleigh	138	75
Hattiesburg, Main St.	790	202
Laurel, West	415	110
Mission	34	
Laurel, First	462	129
Wheeler	104	69
Concord (Choctaw Co.)	102	104
New Hope (Marion Co.)	212	165
Itta Bena, First	205	88
Kilmiachael	98	48
Enterprise (Clarke Co.)	156	100
Newton	342	172
Corinth, Tate St.	289	56
Meridian (Lincoln Co.)	191	82
Pearlhaven, Fifteenth Ave.	505	189
Meridian, Oakland Hts.	219	56
Meridian, South Side	323	136
Yazoo City, First	409	157
Moak's Creek (Lincoln Co.)	167	113
Hattiesburg, Temple	467	145
Bethel (Amite Co.)	65	62
Harmony (Jones Co.)	120	65
Chester (Choctaw Co.)	91	
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	126	66
Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.)	123	63
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	95	71
McComb, Friendship	196	107
Laurel, Highland	148	65
Crystal Springs, First	771	167
Laurel, Second Ave.	378	84
Brookhaven, First	866	347
Main Church	691	244
Hamilton	145	72
Southway	30	31
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	117	62
Purvis, First	205	81
Amity (Chickasaw Co.)	52	91
Philadelphia, First	386	128
Ruth	70	98
Union (Walthall Co.)	123	102
Vicksburg, First	512	152
Zion (Pontotoc Co.)	120	67
Woodville	188	98
Foxworth	141	79
Gulfport, First	723	227
Ruleville	205	82
Calhoun City, First	312	130
Columbus, First	785	231
New Prospect (Lincoln Co.)	148	150
Pleasant Ridge (Chickasaw Co.)	73	104
Antioch (Neshoba Co.)	87	67
Kosciusko, First	663	194
Lucedale	334	129
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	102	44
Gulfport, New Hope	89	35
Union (Alcorn Co.)	110	157
Laurel, Wildwood	100	70
Pascagoula, First	783	265
Main School	584	177
McArthur Mission	53	23
Jackson Ave. Mission	74	15
Orange Grove Mis.	60	50
Riever View Mission	12	

August 10, 1952

Ruth	90	93
Crosby	201	106
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	133	93
Columbus, East End	202	95



Pictured above are those who attended the Vacation Bible School recently held at Richton Church. Miss Marilyn Dennis, educational director of the church, was principal of the school. There were 146 enrolled with an average attendance of 132. Rev. W. M. Averett is pastor.

PASTORIUM DEDICATED



Above is pictured the Hickory Flat Pastorium which was dedicated on August 3, which was the first anniversary of the pastor, Rev. J. Doyle Caples. They burned the note on the pastorium after paying the \$10,000 for the home in two years.

Rev. I. M. Prince, pastor of the Temple Church in Hattiesburg and a former pastor, preached the dedication sermon.

Open house was held in the afternoon.

In the last year the church went from half-time to full-time; the Sunday School attendance has doubled; a Training Union and WMS have been organized; and there have been 84 additions, 40 by baptism. There were three professions of faith reported during the Vacation Bible School.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
Clinton, Miss.

CALLED AND ACCEPTED:

Edwin J. Mays, First, Georgetown, Texas from Bertram, Texas.
Chester O'Brien, First, Wellington, Texas from Gruner, Texas.
Charles W. Hawes, Northside, Houston, Texas from Montopolis Mission, Austin.

R. K. Whittaker, Twitty, Texas from Merit, Okla.

John D. Alexander, First, Archer City, Texas, from Chaplaincy.

James E. Forest, Clarkson, Tex. Edward E. Shirley, First, Pittsburg, Texas from Selma City, Tex.

Lewis Steed, DeKalb, Texas. Wilson Wood, First, Atlanta, Tex. from DeKalb, Texas.

Marshal Taylor, Goodrich, Texas from Forest Home, Kilgore, Tex.

Joel D. Horton, Winnie, Texas from Sealy.

Ralph Caffey, Pyote, Texas from Hebron Ch., Merkel, Texas.

Gary Largent, Macedonia Ch., Lufkin, Texas from Rock Island Ch., Corrigan, Texas.

James O. Coates, First, Ringgold, Texas from County Line, Bell Association, Texas.

Transfer Membership Week Promotion Gets Under Way

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—The state secretaries and editors of the Southern Baptist Convention are steadily leading the churches and pastors to victory in the Transfer Church Membership Week, September 14-21. A preliminary check last week reveals progress in most of the states. Definite reports were received from Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas and Virginia.

Mississippi and nearby states reported as follows:
Mississippi: Contacted every pastor by letter, distributed to every church the pamphlet entitled "Transfer Church Membership Week" and sent out the "Search Cards," which were secured from the Sunday School Board. In addition, numerous articles have appeared in the Baptist Record promoting this program.

Louisiana: All associations urged to have a special program during

the month of August, emphasizing this effort to reach Louisiana's 70,000 unaffiliated Baptists. Associational officers, with the organizers and chairmen of evangelism, asked to be responsible for promotion through the various organizations. Met in Alexandria July 15, for the presentation of this program.

Arkansas: Letters have gone out from Baptist headquarters to all missionaries and pastors urging full co-operation in this movement. Also a brochure has been mailed to all pastors. A special Transfer Church Membership Week issue of the Arkansas Baptistist will be published August 28.

The Macedonia Church in Winston County recently closed a revival which resulted in 11 additions, all by baptism. Rev. Roy Self, Scott County Missionary, did the preaching. Rev. E. D. Estes is pastor.

THE BAPTIST RECORD

Thursday, August 21, 1952

Our Readers Write

Dry Answers Wet

Editor's Note: While the editor of the Biloxi Bulletin favors legalization of liquor, he seems to be fair. He invited Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor of the First Church, Biloxi, to give his views (dry) on the question. Below is printed the reply of Dr. Hodge to the editor's editorials which favored legal liquor.

Dear Editor:

I wish to thank you for this invitation to give my opinions on this most important (liquor) question. I also wish again to express my gratitude to God for the United States of America where friends can differ and express their differences publicly and still remain friends.

Yes, I differ with you on several points regarding the liquor question. It may be we differ because we are looking at the question from different viewpoints. I honestly believe that if you had to try to salvage the multitudes of homes in Biloxi that have been broken because of liquor, and had to counsel and console as many wives and mothers whose husbands and children have been ruined because of liquor as I have to console, that you would come to look at this question from my point of view and that you would vote AGAINST allowing any county or anybody, anywhere, anytime to legalize the sale of whisky. It does no one any good whatsoever, but it does much harm.

IT IS ALCOHOL THAT DOES THE DAMAGE WHETHER IT IS SOLD LEGALLY OR ILLEGALLY

I agree with you when you say we must not permit the "liquor muddle" to continue in Mississippi as it is. I do not agree with you when you say that voting FOR allowing counties to legalize liquor will solve the problem. That, in my judgment, would increase the problems and make bad matters worse.

Legalization Means More Liquor

You said you did not think those who make and sell liquor want whisky legalized because they "are selling more of their products in 'dry' Mississippi than they can expect if the sale of whisky became legal, and therefore they are not anxious to see the new law passed."

I differ with you on this. I believe all who make and sell, or hope to sell liquor want whisky legalized in Mississippi and I will tell you why I believe it: (1) It was the wet senators and representatives who wrote the so called Referendum Bill and steered it through the legislature, (2) The wets, I understand, have set up a statewide committee, called the Citizens' Committee, for the purpose of having liquor legalized in the state, (3) The wets have, to all appearances, been and are waging a whispering campaign thru the state which is designed to lead people to vote FOR legalizing liquor, (4) The wets, through the Citizens Committee are spreading propaganda through newspapers

and other channels to lead the voters to vote for local option. They seem to know that if liquor is legalized they will sell more of their products and are doing all they can to have it done.

Local Option No Remedy

You said that the only intelligent solution to the States Muddled Liquor problem is "to vote in the affirmative—vote FOR allowing counties—." You also said, "We must vote in the affirmative."

I do not believe a word of that. Local option has never solved the liquor problem anywhere, anytime. The very thing the wets are now attempting thru this bill too put into effect in Mississippi has been in operation in other states for a long time. And in every state it has created more liquor problems and has not solved a single problem that we ever heard of. Since local option has not solved the liquor problem in other states I believe the only intelligent thing to do is to vote AGAINST allowing counties to legalize whisky.

For example the county in which Louisville, Ky., is located voted to legalize whisky some time ago. Since then conditions have become so terribly corrupt at the wet but disgusted Louisville Courier-Journal said, "the best argument for prohibition ever devised is the record of how hoodlums, gamblers and exfelons have been able to influence county politicians and local officers and have obtained liquor licenses to operate notoriously corrupt places..." The editor of the Journal further stated, "in view of the record of this place and everybody connected with it, we think this license issuance and the obsequious endorsements of county politicians that influenced it, stink to high heaven."

Instead of solving the problem, legalizing liquor increases problems. It increases the sale and consumption of alcohol. The number of drunks and broken homes, crime, taxes, bootlegging; it permits advertising whisky, it puts those who sell whisky on a legal level with those who sell groceries, milk and other legitimate, wholesome products; and it brings the curse of God upon us. See Habakkuk 2:15, "Woe to him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him and maketh him drunk."

An Opportunity For Enforcement

You seem to think that we have only one of two choices to make—vote FOR local option or the liquor situation will remain as it now is. I believe we have another choice to make. The members of both houses of the legislature said that if the majority voted that if the majority voted AGAINST local option on August 26 that they would take that as a mandate to the legislature to strengthen the liquor laws and stop the sale of the whisky in all the counties. The governor also said that if the majority vote was AGAINST the legalization of liquor that he would enforce the laws and stop the sale of liquor in the state. I believe the only intelligent solution to our liquor problem is to vote AGAINST the proposition.

Laws Can Be Enforced

You saw emphatically that the

liquor laws cannot be enforced in Mississippi. I say with equal positiveness that I know they can be enforced. They are being enforced in more than fifty of the eighty-two counties in the state. There is but one reason why they are not being enforced in the other counties; that is, the sheriffs and other enforcement officers do not want to enforce them and are not attempting to enforce them.

When the sheriff of Harrison county ordered all liquor off the shelves and under the counter by a certain time, it was done. If he had ordered it out completely it would have gone out completely just as slot machines and other forms of commercial gambling went out on the day he ordered them out. We also know that whisky would have remained out until he permitted it to come back, just as commercial gambling remained out until he permitted it to come back.

No Partnership With Liquor

Another angle to the liquor question which you seem to have overlooked is the personal responsibility of each individual voter to the public.

Those who vote FOR liquor become a party to and responsible for all the drunkards, broken homes, deaths on highways caused by drunken drivers, and all other evils which follow in the wake of alcoholic beverages. But those who vote AGAINST legalizing whisky are not responsible for any of the evils which may come to anyone who drinks it.

These things being true, I am going to deliver my soul from bloodguiltiness on August 26 by voting AGAINST local option.

Dear Dr. Goodrich: Senate Bill No. 565, Laws of 1952, is what is commonly referred to as the referendum on intoxicating beverages. This bill provides for the submission of two questions for the decision of the electorate in the August 26 primary with a mandate and they are:

"A. For allowing counties upon petition of 20 per cent of the qualified electors to vote for or against legalizing the sale of intoxicating liquor of an alcoholic content of more than 4 per cent alcohol by weight.

"B. Against allowing counties upon petition of 20 per cent of the qualified electors to vote for or against legalizing the sale of intoxicating liquor or an alcoholic content of more than 4 per cent alcohol by weight."

If this was all then it would be simple and merely a procedure of allowing each county to determine this question just as they do on the beer problem but it is more serious than that as the legislature did not stop here.

The legislature considered this more far reaching and provided in this bill a mandate by incorporating the following language:

"Provided, however, that if a majority of the qualified electors voting, vote for the proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a controlled system for the whole state. Provided, further, that if a majority of the qualified electors voting vote against the

proposition as submitted, said vote shall be a mandate to the legislature to set up a sufficient enforcement agency to carry out the provisions of such mandate."

Could the legislature be more specific in framing a bill and how could any one argue successfully to the contrary. You will notice that the actions of the electors will be a mandate either (1) to set up a controlled system for the whole state. This means exactly what it says and the legislature is bound thereby, if the voters vote for proposition B then the vote prohibition laws and set up a system to control the sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages throughout the entire state. This is not a question of local government, local rights, or local self rule, but a question of whether you want legalized liquor or not, or (2) to set up a sufficient enforcement agency to carry out the provisions of such mandate. This will mean that if the voters vote for proposition B then the vote will be a mandate to the legislature to enact suitable legislation to enforce the prohibition laws of the state.

The issue is: Do you want legalized liquor? Or do you want the prohibition laws enforced? If you want legalized liquor then you should vote for proposition A and in voting for proposition A you should realize that your vote will be a mandate to the legislature to set up a controlled system for the whole state so that liquor could be sold in every community and county in Mississippi. On the other hand if you do not want legalized liquor and want the prohibition laws enforced then you should vote for proposition B and in so doing it will be a mandate to the legislature to set up a sufficient enforcement agency to carry out the provisions of such mandate.

I earnestly plead with you to go to the polls on August 26, and vote for proposition B, and that you urge your friends and loved ones to do likewise because it is the proper thing to do as Christian men and women.

Sincerely,

J. V. CARR.

Comment: Mr. Carr knows whereof he speaks. He is Mississippi's assistant secretary of state.

Carriere, Miss.

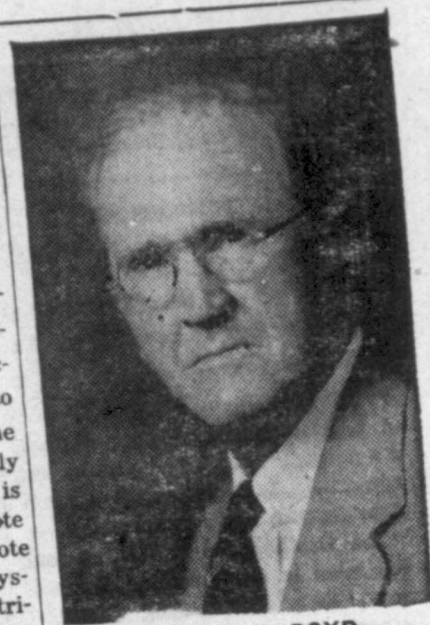
Baptist Record,

Dear Editor,

I sincerely hope and pray that the citizens of Mississippi will vote dry on August 26. I'm a young person too young to vote. So I am praying that those who can vote will vote dry.

One fellow said he thought the Baptists should use their brains for something beside fighting whiskey. That he would get a drink when he wanted it. I think he should use his brains for something besides drinking whiskey. If we don't fight it, it is sure won't get wiped out any other way.

The dealers of whiskey care nothing for this generation or the next to come. They care nothing for those who will grow up being



REV. J. L. BOYD

Shown above is Rev. J. L. Boyd, the Mississippi member of the Southern Baptist Convention Historical Commission. He is in attendance of the annual session at Ridgecrest. One of the most significant features of the meeting is the "Workshop" conferences when four or more persons from each state of the convention territory will take part in a round table discussion and planning programs for a more effective method of retrieving Baptist historical material and its proper redistribution among the libraries of the convention's institutions and agencies.

Accompanying Mr. Boyd from Mississippi are Rev. E. D. Estes of Louisville, secretary of the State Moderators and Clerks Association and Clerk of the Winston County Association; Rev. W. Martin Smith of Carrollton, moderator of the Carroll County Association; and Rev. J. B. Watkins of Newhebron, moderator of the Lawrence County Association.

criminals and murderers. Nor how many may end up in prison. It is the money the dealers are looking forward to. It helps to kill and ruin innocent people. We young people who are too young to vote can sure pray for the best, which is certainly dry.

We do not want saloons on our street corners where it will be dangerous to get out and do our work.

It is so awful to be in the state of Louisiana and see a little child going down the street with five or six bottles of beer — taking it home to the family. It will be the same way if Mississippi is wet. We sure don't want it wet. We are praying that it will be dry.

SARAH PENTON

—BR—

Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building from Smithdale were: Rev. and Mrs. Howard Hamrick, Shelton Little, James Hugh Wooten, Mildred Nettles, Phillip Nettles, Lorraine Steele, Sue Williamson, Pansy Williamson, Louise Wells, Dot Wells, Mary Ethel Edwards, Dimple Adams, Marie Whittington, Francis Carraway, Mrs. Jackson, Martha Wickers, B. O. Dykes, Summit, Bennie Ray Bear den, Sleepy Wheat, Hermon Roy Wheat, Nelson Wraton, Raiford E. Young, Charlie B. Williams, Julius L. Steele, Bert Wroten, William Jackson, James E. Laird, Betty Jackson, Shirley Rae Young, Billy Joe Westbrook, Charlene Jackson, Mary Francis Little, and Mary Jo Carruth.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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HATTIESBURG FIRST VOTES BROTHERHOOD Deacons Given Green

Light To Brotherhood

In their regular meeting on August 4 the deacons gave unanimous approval to the organization of a Brotherhood in our church, and instructed the nominating committee to recommend a president for the new organization.

The Brotherhood will fill a long felt need in our church, and will serve as a coordinating force among the men of our membership. The pastor stated that he hopes the Brotherhood will grow from a small beginning and will include men who manifest a deep interest in the welfare of their church. It is not to be just another supper club, with emphasis on the social life, but rather an organization with a spiritual purpose and program.

This organization can mean much to our church as we move forward in an enlarged program.

FIRST BAPTIST MESSENGER.

ACTIVITIES REPORTED

Union Church in Waltham Association have an enrollment of 18 and had 4 meetings last month. The usual activities were carried out and contributed \$10 to a pastor who had broken his leg. Report was sent in by Mr. Q. E. Alexander, secretary. Goodyear Brotherhood at Picayune have an enrollment of 10. They joined with the W. M. U. in paying for the rest-room facilities in the new church building. Reported by Felder McKenzie, secretary. Parkway Chapel in Jackson have an enrollment of

25. Their regular meeting was called off for the men to attend the Billy Graham revival. Report was sent in by S. H. Anthony, secretary. Cedar Grove Brotherhood in Green Association have an enrollment of 6 and bought chairs for the pulpit. Reported by E. E. Fairchild, secretary. Mt. Olive Brotherhood in Covington Co. have an enrollment of 17 and bought two rocking chairs for the Old Men's Home in Jackson. Report was sent in by F. M. Kelly, secretary. West Laurel Brotherhood in Jones Association have an enrollment of 35. Tore down and moved a building to the mission lot. Report was sent in by H. J. Rushing. Foxworth Brotherhood have an enrollment of 21. They have held cottage prayer meetings and repaired around the church. Reported by M. M. Graves, secretary. First Church, Petal have an enrollment of 12 and have erected highway signs, visitation program for the new church was sponsored and reported to the paper. Reported by John Martin, Jr. Act. Secretary. Antioch Brotherhood in Lowndes Association have an enrollment of 18 and held their usual visitation program. Reported by E. L. Goodman, Jr. New Hope at Mt. Olive have an enrollment of 20 and held 4 meetings last month. Reported by J. D. Brown, secretary. County Line Brotherhood in Copiah Association have an enrollment of 15 and had charge of the prayer service and had a special speaker for "Ladies Night." Reported by E. E. Maddox, secretary.

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Freddie Brister Is Iuka Youth Evangelist



REV. FREDDIE BRISTER

Rev. Freddie Brister will be the evangelist during the Youth Revival to be held at Iuka Church on August 24-31. Rev. Floyd Stoment will serve as youth pastor and Mrs. Curtis Waits will direct the music program. Every office of the church will be filled by young people.

Homecoming day will be observed on Sunday, July 31. The goal for the building fund on that day which will go toward a new educational building is set at \$3,000.

Rev. Thurman Booth is pastor.

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154 Sign Tithers Cards During Raleigh Revival

Dr. B. C. Land, tithing evangelist, of Jackson, led the Raleigh Church in a Stewardship revival recently during which time 154 signed tithers cards. A financial record in tithes and offerings was made on Sunday, August 10, when the goal of \$666.66 was passed by \$31.00.

Rev. Montie A. Davis is pastor.

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Anglin Has Busy Summer

Pastor C. F. Anglin seems to have had a busy summer. The Mulberry Church in Montgomery county had a revival with Rev. James Breland of Cleveland as the evangelist. Although there were no additions, the pastor states that the church seemed greatly helped.

Rev. David Ellinberg was the evangelist at Covenant Church in Choctaw county. There were 6 additions, 3 by baptism. One grandmother, who is an invalid, was carried into the water in her chair and baptized.

At Bethsaida Church in Montgomery county, Rev. Bob Lowe, Home Mission Board appointee to Utah, was the evangelist. There were 9 additions by baptism.

At French Camp in Choctaw county, Rev. Paul Booth, of the State Sunday School Department, was the preacher. There were 4 additions, 2 by baptism. Thomas McCaa was licensed to preach during the meeting.

—BR—

The future is a dark valley lighted by the promises of God.—Baker James Cauthen, secretary for the Orient for the Foreign Mission Board.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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TRAINING AWARDS RECORDS FOR JULY 1952

No. Awards for July—845.
No. Awards to date—20,812.
No. Churches to date—534.
No. Associations—72.

High Five Associations

1. Gulf Coast—169.
2. Greene—65.
3. Hinds—63.
4. Jeff Davis—62.
5. Copiah—45.

High Five Churches

1. Handsboro—164.
2. Whitesand—62.
3. McLain—52 (tie)
4. Parkway, Jackson—52, (tie)
5. East McComb—44.

MORE NEW SCHOOLS

It is always encouraging to learn of new Sunday schools being organized over the state. That means more people reached for Bible study; more people hearing the gospel preached; more people won to Christ; more people helped in many ways.

Rev. Clifton Davis, pastor at Value, Miss., writes us that a new school is being organized there.

Also, Rev. P. G. Harper writes us that a school is being organized in the Antioch Baptist Church in Wayne Association. The way to reach the people is to go where they are.

VOTE ON THE BOTTOM LINE AND BE ON TOP SIDE

In the August 26 election, be sure and vote on the bottom line. That is the one against repealing our prohibition law, and which, if done, would legalize the sale of whiskey in Mississippi.

So, vote on the bottom line and then we will be on top.

ATTENTION!!!

Calling all Sunday school workers.

Last January at the Southwide Sunday School Clinic in Miami, the state Sunday School secretaries and the Baptist Sunday School Board Sunday school workers voted to make April first each year as the dividing line for grading pupils in the schools.

All these years different dates have been used, so it was felt that a definite time for all schools to follow would be better. And April first is the time from now on.

Of course, it will take a few years for this to be worked out completely so that all will be adjusted in this way. We will not begin this year on Promotion Day by adhering rigidly to this, for that would mean some pupils would be put back a year. This would not do at all.

But by beginning now in the Nursery and Beginner departments, and then working on through all the other departments also and follow this plan now, we can soon have the school graded on this line. Little change will be noticed anyway, but we will all be together on the time.

STATE PLANNING MEETING
Thursday, September 4, in the

First Baptist Church of Jackson, from ten o'clock in the morning to three in the afternoon, we shall have our State Planning Meeting.

This meeting is for associational missionaries and associational Sunday School officers. This is the time and place when we plan and discuss the program for the new Sunday school year which begins on October 1.

Therefore, we urge all associational missionaries and associational Sunday school officers to be present on September 4.

Dr. J. N. Barnette, Southwide Sunday school secretary will be with us that day to lead our discussions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME IS NOW OVER

This month brings to a close another Vacation Bible school season. It has been a great one with many churches getting the blessings these schools bring to us each summer.

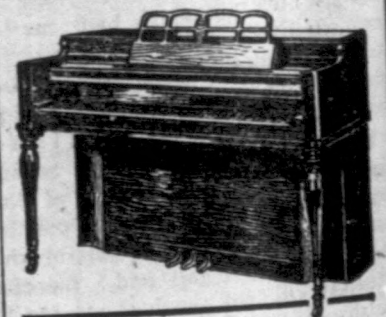
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In the interest of recognition of more churches and more young people we are asking all who place in the "Church Eliminations" for children, juniors, intermediates, young people and adults to come direct to the District Convention. This means that we are not limiting the district representation to one or two from the association. It will be wonderful for the association to have the drills and contests as a special feature in the Association, but not as an elimination contest. Let all winners from every church attend the District Convention. This can be one nursery child, one beginner, one primary, all perfect juniors or those who have first and second place, one intermediate boy and one intermediate girl, one boy and one girl from the young people's department, and one adult. Each church should have representatives from each age group. Begin now, enlist every member so that all may receive the training and blessing that comes to those who participate in these special features.

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Potts Camp Church Honors Pastor James E. Brown

On August 10 the congregation of the Potts Camp Church celebrated the first anniversary of Pastor James E. Brown by showering him and his family with gifts.

During a recent revival there were 26 additions, 20 by baptism. Rev. W. Daniel Greer, Landcaster, S. C., did the preaching.

In the year Mr. Brown has been pastor the Potts Camp Church has gone from half time to full-time; a Brotherhood, Intermediate Girls Auxiliary, and a Royal Ambassador chapter were organized; and Extension and Cradle Roll Departments were organized in the Sunday School. The attendance in Sunday School increased from 40 to 101.

Sixty-seven have been added to the church, 53 by baptism.

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Wayside Church in Warren County recently completed a revival with Rev. Freddie Brister of Harmony Church as the evangelist. Sidney Pitts of Clinton was songleader. Rev. Millard Purl is pastor. There were 12 additions, 7 by baptism.

—BR—

WACO, Texas, Aug.—W. C. Perry, former superintendent of schools at Meridian, has been appointed dean of men at Baylor University, according to Dr. W. R. White, president. He will assume the position on September 1.

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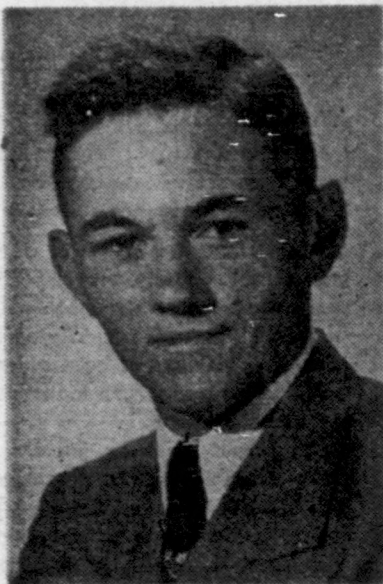
POPLAR CREEK NATIONS CALLS HOWARD TAYLOR

Rev. Howard Taylor, student at Mississippi College, recently accepted the call as pastor of the Poplar Creek Nations Church in Montgomery County. Until July the church only had two afternoon services a month. During the revival in July the church voted to go half-time.

Rev. Jack Cranford, pastor of the Center Ridge Church in Yazoo county, did the preaching during the revival. There were 18 additions, 13 by baptism.

A Sunday School organized with 77 in attendance has gone to an attendance of 89 in a few weeks. The prayer service has grown from an attendance of 49 to 64.

—BR—



ROBERT H. ROGERS

Robert H. Rogers, above, was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by the Baxterville Church. He will enter Mississippi College in September. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rogers.

—BR—

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.
50 YEARS AGO—

Pastor A. B. Hicks reports 42 baptized from a revival meeting in the church at Bellefontaine, and five joined by letter, in which Rev. A. C. Ball did the preaching.

40 YEARS AGO—

Rev. R. A. Eddleman assisted Pastor R. L. Bridges in a revival meeting at West Columbia in which a Sunday School was organized and 12 joined for baptism.

Evangelist H. R. Holcomb of the Home Board assisted Pastor B. F. Threft at Sturgis in a revival meeting, resulting in 35 additions, 25 of them for baptism.

25 YEARS AGO—

Evangelist Wade Smith and Singer M. E. Perry helped Pastor J. J. Hemphill in a gracious revival meeting in the Ebenezer Church, Marion County, resulting in 76 additions to the membership, 50 for baptism.

Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson breaks ground for their new \$250,000 house of worship on West Capitol Street.



BAPTISMAL SCENE. Pictured above are those who were recently baptized by Rev. John P. Hill, pastor of the Ogden Church in Yazoo County.

Ogden Revival Adds 14

Rev. John L. Gilbert, pastor of the Santa Rosa Church in Picayune, did the preaching during the revival that was recently held at Ogden Church in Yazoo County. Larry Ragland, student at Mississippi College, led the singing.

There were 14 additions, 12 by baptism, and 100 rededications. One hundred and seventeen read their Bibles on one of the days.

Rev. John P. Hill is pastor.

—BR—

Through the Training Union Sunday school, preaching services, the church program in general, and fellowship with other Christian young people, God worked silently and steadily in my heart, training me like a vine in the direction he wanted me to go. — Alex Franklin Garner, missionary appointee to Argentina.

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Children Vote To Support "Drys"

In keeping with the slogan, "FOR OUR SAKES VOTE AGAINST WHISKEY ON AUGUST 26", the children of the SPANISH FORT BAPTIST CHURCH BIBLE SCHOOL voted to send their mission offering to the UNITED DRY ASS'N to help in the fight against whiskey.

In addition to supporting the fight with their offering the Juniors and Intermediates formed teams to tack up posters and to distribute literature.

Many of the children expressed the opinion that if the grown-ups would ask them how to vote they would vote against whiskey.

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ARE YOU WET OR DRY?

The issue August 26 is: are you wet or dry? It is not: are you for or against home rule? It is not: are you in favor of legalization or bootlegging of liquor? It is: are you in favor of liquor or aren't you? If you are dry, like most of the active church members of Mississippi are, there is only one way you can vote August 26 and that is for Proposition B, the bottom line, which is against local option elections for or against legalization of the liquor traffic. Space will not permit a full discussion of this matter, but we want to ask the advocates of "home rule" some questions. First, why are you really for Proposition A? Is it not because you hope that its adoption will make possible legal liquor in at least some Miss. counties? If this is not the reason, why give the counties the right to hold a local option election? They are already legally dry. No election is needed to make them so. The only change a local option election would make is to make counties wet. Is that what you want? You have home rule in enforcing the dry laws now. Another question: Who is paying for these huge ads advocating "home rule" by voting for Proposition A? Is the liquor industry

helping? There may be some bootleggers who are promoting the dry cause — advocating Proposition B. If there are they are against themselves for statistics prove there are more bootleggers in wet states than there are in Miss. There may be some Christians who are sincerely for legalization of the liquor traffic, but we believe they are sincerely wrong on this question. We intend to vote for Proposition B on August 26 just as the best Christians we know say they are.

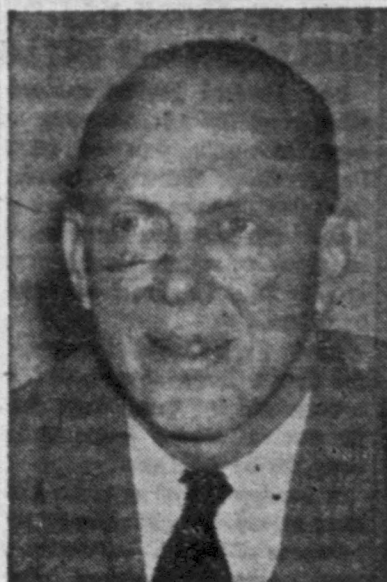
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MC Student Retreat Scheduled For Sept. 5-7

The Baptist Student Union of Mississippi College is slated to begin its year of activities with a pre-school retreat at Camp Garaywa, September 5-7, according to a statement by George Dukes, president.

Invitations to attend the retreat have been mailed to all Mississippi College students and to 250 new students. The retreat is designed primarily for planning the religious activities during the coming year; however, the program provides for students who are not on committees.

The campus organizations coop-



Dr. Christopher Crittenden

Dr. Christopher Crittenden, director of the North Carolina Department of Archives and History, will be a speaker and panel discussion leader at the workshop, for the state Baptist history groups to be held at Ridgecrest, North Carolina on August 22.

erating with the Baptist Student Union are the Volunteer Mission Band, the Ministerial Association, and the Y. W. A. The officers of these groups will hold planning sessions for their work for the coming year.

Bible study will be led by the Rev. Russell McIntyre, pastor of the Clinton Church. Among the others contributing to the program will be Charles W. Horner, secretary of the State Student Department.

Woman's Missionary Union

Year Books and Diamond Jubilee Handbooks Now Ready

These two important publications are printed and now in the W. M. U. Office. As the list of new officers are mailed to the office, a free copy of each is sent to the president. Other copies are, Year Books 15 cents; Diamond Jubilee Handbooks 10 cents. The Jubilee Handbook has been printed in a form that can be placed in notebooks for permanency.

W. M. U. Camp August 25-27

Three full days, new plans to be projected, duties of officers set forth, missionary speakers, Bible study, fellowship, are all included in plans for the program.

Expression of Appreciation

(Similar expressions have come from all of our Mississippi Missionaries.)

Dear Friends of the Mississippi W. M. U.:

The other day I received word through the mail that I am to receive the Good Housekeeping magazine because of your kindness. I can hardly wait for the first issue to arrive! As I read it I will be able to see W. M. Uers on every page. I certainly do thank you for this added expression of your love and interest in your missionaries.

We are in the midst of a building program. Literally we are in the midst for the one building that is finished we are occupying along

with the boys and we look directly out of our window upon the construction of the other two buildings. There are times that I greatly enjoy using a sling shot speed up a slow worker's pace seems that nothing can do that the dinner bell or the finishing in the afternoon. Some are workmen and are greatly interested in the whole project.

Please pray for us that we serve our Master and Lord in way that He has planned.

Lovingly,

MRS. W. L. COOPER

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A tent campaign in Greenville has been planned for August, September 4. The evangelist, be Rev. Harold Horne. Garland field will be in charge of the music, Bill Holliman, the pianist, Orman Norwood will bring messages each night. The meeting is under the sponsorship of Second Church, Greenville, which Rev. M. E. Perry is past-

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When fifteen years old, I felt initially called to foreign missionary work. After about forty three years under the Foreign Mission Board I can think of no more blessed opportunity than has been in China. The assurance that put me there has been my strength through the various national upheavals I have witnessed. — (Mrs. P. W.) Hamlett, missionary of the China staff.

THINK

STRAIGHT!

I. Since all Southern Baptists' foreign missionary appointments, January 1952, came from Christian colleges, what value is a foreign missionary program that does not provide trained personnel? Is not foreign mission emphasis a HOLLOW PRETENSE if our Baptist schools are not supported.

II. Investment in College endowment, to make secure our college program, is the wisest missionary practice.

III. Lay by in store some of the Lord's money for MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

IV. Mississippi Baptists have voted three years to raise Woman's College endowment. Is it not time MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS responded to their own summons?

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I. E. Rouse, General Chairman
MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT

THE BAPTIST RECORD

Thursday, August 21, 1952

An Open Letter To Baptist Pastors

Dear Brother Pastor:

The proper approach to the Baptist people is logically made through the pastors of our churches. Every plant at Mississippi Woman's College is informed by this understanding. In our effort to complete Woman's College endowment we know that we shall succeed or fail according to the response of our pastors.

This is the year to complete Woman's College endowment. For three years the state convention has sanctioned the program. Now is the time to finish the job. Practical wisdom demands that in the day of prosperity we lay aside means to guarantee continuous operation of our schools. The Baptists of Mississippi doubtless have more money today than any period in our history.

This is a time for exercising practical statesmanlike wisdom. Never in the history of America has there been such a need for Christian education and Christian leaders. We should match the hour with our means.

From the office of the Southern Baptist Education Commission we have this astounding statement: "Of 827 persons under appointment by the Foreign Mission Board on January 23, 1952, 806 attended a Southern Baptist college. The other 21 attended some other Christian college." Without the Christian college, who could say that we would have any missionary program at all?

Five in six of our pastors with college training come from our Southern Baptist colleges. More than 70 per cent of our denominational leaders with college training, according to a survey which covered members of the boards of most of the various convention agencies, as well as the employees of the Baptist Sunday School Board, attended Southern Baptist colleges. It is evident that if we are to supply workers to Baptist work we must train them in and through Baptist colleges.

In the last annual report of the National Science Foundation, they give the source of Ph.D.'s in the field of physical sciences. Of the fifty leading colleges which produce the highest percentage of Ph.D.'s thirty-nine of them are the small liberal arts colleges, and only three are great state universities. If we are going to defend ourselves we will still need to look to these small denominational colleges for brains in national defense.

Where do we get our national leaders? Pat M. Neff, long-time president of Baylor University, has well said, "Out of these church-

built and supported colleges come the leaders of both church and state, founders of our early institutions of higher learning.

"Sixteen of the first eighteen Presidents of the United States who were college graduates came out of denominational universities. Seven of the first eight Chief Justices of the Supreme Court, who were graduates, hold diplomas from church-supported institutions. While only one-third of the college graduates of America now living attended church-controlled schools, it is indeed a challenging thought that from this one-third is drawn 70 per cent of all college graduates listed in 'Who's Who in America'."

Why is this so? What you teach for is the most distinctive thing in education. In the Christian concept, God is supreme and man is His servant and is obligated to serve God with all of his talents in the place God assigns him. In these Christian institutions, if they are worthy the name, a shift is made in the philosophy of life from property to personality, from money to manhood. They do not tag success with the dollar mark.

Christian education is the development of the three-fold nature of man, the physical, the mental, and the spiritual. It is education, plus. Culture is not enough. Knowledge is not enough. To the academic curriculum must be added character. As a denomination, if we do not know this it is time we were learning it.

Mississippi Woman's College, one of our Baptist's greatest opportunities, is located at Hattiesburg, a city of 30,000 people. Hattiesburg, "The Hub" of South Mississippi, is near the center of the southern thirty-six counties, in which, according to our Convention annual of 1951, reside 210,645 Baptists. Since, on a national basis, students go to college within a radius of twenty-five miles of their home, it is imperative that Mississippi Baptists develop Mississippi Woman's College, or lose to Baptist way of life many of our finest young people, so far as Christian education is concerned.

Many Baptists seem to make two false assumptions. First, that our Baptist-controlled colleges are inferior to state supported schools. Among people who know it is understood that this is a fallacy. A higher per cent of Baptist colleges are accredited than tax supported schools. The qualitative principle is followed, and individuals have personal attention they cannot get on the basis of mass education. The second is that Baptist schools cost more. This is not true at Mississippi Woman's College. There is only one state senior college in Mississippi that charges less than Mississippi Woman's College, and when all the items are taken into consideration, Mississippi Woman's College is perhaps still the cheaper for students to attend.

This is a studied policy of the trustees, for 72 per cent of Mississippi people are still rural, with the lowest per capita income of any people in the United States. Therefore, we must keep the cost to students as low as possible. This is the point of endowment. Woman's College must have increased endowment if she is to keep student costs down in the face of rising costs in terms of salary, supplies, etc. Our Baptist colleges need increasing income as all other schools need additional income.

The Baptists of Mississippi have more money today than ever in their history, and seldom have they had a better opportunity of endowing one of their schools as now. It is the prayerful hope of all who labor here that the Baptists shall be timely wise and moved by the spirit of God to co-operate together to raise our additional \$250,000 endowment goal.

Brother Pastor, you are the key to the solution of our Baptist educational problems. The students to fill our dormitories, to be taught by Christian professors, and money to operate our school, must come from the people in your church. Your direct influence for motivating our young people to choose Baptist colleges is the greatest of any other person in the state. And if our Baptist young people are to find counsel and guidance in the choice of the right school, you are largely the one to furnish it by giving a Christian interpretation to the values of higher education. When our pastors lead positively our people will surely follow. We of Mississippi Woman's College—the trustees, the administration, are depending upon you. We succeed or fail in accordance with your co-operation, now!

Sincerely,
I. E. ROUSE,
General Director,
MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S
COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.
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The world wants the Christ we preach. Appearances are to the contrary; but the peace, satisfaction, pardon, and regeneration of men is the deep soul desire of the whole world. — Gerald Riddell, missionary to Colombia.

Minister's Feet Burned Treading Hot Coals

COLOMBO, Ceylon—(RNS)— A Methodist minister was reported here to be nursing a pair of badly blistered feet at his home in south Ceylon after becoming the first Christian to walk across red hot coals in a Hindu religious ceremony.

The Rev. Eric Robinson was standing among a crowd of Hindu "sadhus" watching the ceremony in a jungle shrine near Kataragama when he suddenly pulled off his shoes and socks, walked the length of the bed of glowing embers, and then immediately left the shrine.

The clergyman was said to be confined to his bed and unable to leave home for at least a week.

Editor's Note: He deserved to get the hot foot.

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Vacations are over. All the children and faculty of the Baptist Orphanage have returned from their annual two week's vacation. They have visited missionary societies, churches, relatives, and friends, and have had a delightful time. All of them say "Thank You" to each one who was kind enough to have the children in their homes for this period.

THE BAR

The Saloon is sometimes called a Bar,
A Bar to Heaven, a door to Hell
Who ever named it, named it well;

A Bar to manliness and wealth
A door to want and broken health;

A bar to honor pride and fame
A door to grief and sin and shame;

A bar to hope, a bar to prayer
A door to darkness and despair;
A bar to honored useful life
A door to brawling, senseless strife;

A bar to all that's true and
A door to every drunkard's grave
A bar to joys that home imparts
brave;

A door to tears and aching hearts;

A bar to heaven, a door to hell
Whoever named it, named it well.
By a convict serving a life term
in Joliet Prison, Illinois.

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Homecoming Day will be observed by the Hebron Church in Jones County on August 31, with dinner served on the grounds. Visiting speakers for the day will include Rev. Tommy Fant, Laurel; Rev. S. W. Valentine, Jackson; and Rev. Harold Anderson, Slaughter, La. The pastor is Rev. J. J. Dorrough.



Pictured above are members of the 10-year-old class in the Junior Department of the Sunday School of Liberty Church. The average grade of two boys during the year was 92½. Reading from left to right they are: J. J. Marsalis, Mrs. Carl T. Quin, teacher, and Dexter Butler. Rev. Roy Collum is pastor.



A STANDARD JUNIOR DEPARTMENT. Pictured above are members of the Junior Department of the Liberty Church. They reached the standard during the last quarter. Mrs. Leroy Turney is department superintendent; John T. Wilson is general superintendent and Rev. Roy Collum is pastor.

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Sparks & Splinters

Among the recent visitors to the Baptist Building were: Rev. H. E. Keen, Jr., New Orleans, La.; Rev. B. E. Phillips, Jackson; Rev. W. E. Hellen, Dequincy, La.; Rev. C. J. Smyly, Canal Point, Ala.; Maude Smyly, Columbia; Mrs. Elma Smyly, Columbia; Rev. G. Carroll Starkey, Louisville, Ky.; Rev. F. V. McFatrige, Coldwater; Dr. B. Locke Davis, Anniston, Ala.; Mrs. F. E. Jungels, San Francisco, Cal.; Mrs. Louis B. Anderson, Asheville, N. C.; Rev. Montie A. Davis, Raleigh; Wesley Ellis, Clinton; Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Jackson; Billy Anderson, Jackson; Mrs. J. H. Case, Jackson; Rev. A. V. Clark, New Orleans, La.; Rev. Jesse Henson, Yazoo City; Fabia Rue Jones, Jackson; Ann Reeves, Jackson; Dot Flynt, Jackson; Rev. O. H. Petty, Hattiesburg; and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Roberts, Naperville, Ill.

At the close of Blue Mountain College's summer session, the following young women received degrees: Doris Marie Blankenship, Black Mountain, N. C.; Mrs. Bobbie Long Posey, Tupelo and Neshoba; Sarah Alice Harris, Plantersville, Mrs. Rosa Hall Kent, Blue Mountain; Mrs. Mary Twanda Davis Janes, Falkner; Betty Jean Simpson, Jackson; and Mary Louise Rappold, New Orleans, La.; Betty Carolyn Mitchell, Estill Springs, Tenn.; Mims Drewry, Ripley; Mrs. Annette Tapp Simpson, Blue Mountain.

September is the month of beginning again. Schools will be starting. It is quite an undertaking to get the big Orphanage family ready to begin a new term of school. All the children from the first through the eighth grade will enter the Carter Grammar School on our campus, of whom there are some 120. Seventeen will enter High School in Jackson. Four girls will enter College, two in Blue Mountain and two in Jackson Commercial College. Would you like to help prepare these children for school by sending clothing and school supplies for them. Also if you would care to assume the responsibility of providing a lunch for one of the high school boys or girls, the amount is \$5 per month. They are allowed 25c per day for their noon lunch for the 20 day school period each month.

Rev. and Mrs. Archie G. Dunaway, Jr., Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, announce the birth of John Archie on July 11. Mr. Dunaway is a native of McComb, Miss.

For the past six months Perry County Association has been having an associational monthly workers' conference. Emphasis is alternately placed on the Sunday School, BTU, and the Brotherhood. Despite the summer heat, vacations and revivals, each meeting has been well attended, according to Rev. W. M. Averett, pastor at Richton, general program chairman. Rev. U. G. Salter, of Beaumont, is moderator.

Evidently the people at Pleasant Valley Church, Simpson County admire their pastor, Rev. B. E. Craft. A few weeks ago they presented him with a new Royal typewriter.

There were 15 additions, all by baptism, during the recent revival at North Columbia Church. Rev. Charlie L. Bryant, pastor of the Kokomo Church, did the preaching. Rev. John R. Eubanks, pastor, had charge of the music.

Rev. Tom Sims served as youth evangelist during the recent youth revival held at Richton Church. All offices in the church were held by the young people. Rev. W. M. Averett is pastor.

Palestine Baptist Church near Raymond will have a homecoming Sunday, August 24. Dinner will be served on the grounds after the morning service which will begin at 10:30. The pastor, Rev. Ed Corley, will speak at this service. Rev. R. L. Wallace, former pastor of the church, will speak at the 2 p. m. service.

Dr. and Mrs. James D. Belote, Southern Baptist missionaries of the China staff recently reassigned to Hong Kong, sailed from San Francisco on August 2 for their new field of service. Mrs. Belote is a native of Water Valley, Miss.

Congratulations to the United Drys of Pontotoc county. We note that they carry a large advertisement in the Pontotoc Progress, the issue of August 14, setting forth some of the false claims, and evils of the proposed liquor legalization bill.

Misses Margaret Gooch and Glenna Taylor, state summer workers, recently taught a Training Union Study Course at Longview Church in Pontotoc County. Rev. J. R. Davis serves this church in connection with his New Albany pastorate.

Transfer Church Membership Week is gaining momentum in the West, according to word from Dr. Willis J. Ray, Arizona executive secretary. The First Church of Clovis, N. M., printed its non-resident roll and found 1100 names. Many churches are having roll calls.

A copy of the Deer Creek Association minutes for 1951 has been received in the Baptist Record office. The next session will be held with the Belzoni Church on October 13 and 14.

Rev. Francis Willingham Lawton, formerly of Spartanburg, S. C., now interim pastor of Rocky Creek Church in George County, has been ordained to the Gospel ministry by the church.

Joel Ray of Jackson, State Royal Ambassador secretary, will be the evangelist for the week-end revival Sept. 5-7, which will climax Youth Week activities at the Southside Church in Meridian. Rev. Estus Mason is the pastor.

There were 16 additions, 12 by baptism during the recent revival held at Locke Station Church in Panola county. Rev. J. S. Grubbs of Pontotoc was the evangelist. Mrs. Bonnie Sharp and Mrs. Wallace were pianists. Rev. James Fortenberry is pastor.

Elaine Church, Hinds County, will have Homecoming Services Sunday, August 24 with Rev. Sidney Johnson speaking in the morning and Rev. Dan Moulder in the afternoon. There will be a special youth program at the evening service. Rev. R. R. Newman is the pastor.

Carl A. Hudson Ordained



REV. CARL A. HUDSON

Carl A. Hudson, above, a graduate of Mississippi College and a member of the First Church, Pascagoula, was ordained to the ministry by the Pascagoula Church, on August 17. Dr. James C. Taylor, interim pastor, presided over the meeting of the ordination council and delivered the ordination sermon. C. Lamar Alexander, Minister of Music and Education, presented the Bible to Mr. Hudson and Rev. Young Gerrard gave the charge.

He plans to enter the New Orleans Seminary in September.

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Rev. R. L. McNamee is leading in a tent revival this week at Waveland with the hopes that a Baptist church may be organized there. Waveland is a community of several thousand and there is not and never has been a protestant church there.

Oloh Church in Lamar county will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the church on August 31. Dr. Harry L. Spencer, Baptist Foundation Secretary, will be the featured speaker for the morning. Dinner will be served on the grounds. Rev. Earl Brooks is pastor.

God is plowing up the world for those of us who have a message. The world is in a revolution, but it has evangelical Christians who are waiting to join with us to bring this task to its culmination. — H. C. Goerner, at Foreign Missions Conference.

The fact that the devil keeps trying to pour problems into our midst is only proof that we are hurting him where it hurts most — in dealing with the souls of men. Mary Lucile Saunders, missionary to the Philippine Islands.

By the grave of God I am a missionary. He has led me all the way: ever lastingly redeemed at the age of eight, lifted from the depths of pneumonia at the age of ten, impressed to be a preacher during a doctrinal revival at the age of thirteen, frustrated as to personal ambition and called into the ministry while a midshipman at Annapolis, directed to missions by one sentence in a drab chapel talk while a junior at Baylor University. — Hugo H. Culpepper, a missionary to Argentina.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Wesson

Rev. C. F. Barnes who has been pastor at Wesson for one and one-half years says that the church continues to make progress.

The new, modern pastorium has been completed and plans are being made to dedicate it in the near future. The church is almost debt-free and plans are to pay the small amount now due by the time of the dedication of the pastorium.

Record readers in Copiah County are now listed as follows: ANTI-OCH 26, BETHEL 57, Carpenter 14, COUNTY LINE 78, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 383, DAMASCUS 50, GALILEE 27, GALLMAN 30, Gatesville 1, GEORGETOWN 73, Harmony 15, HAZLEHURST 187, HOPEWELL 49, New Providence 12, New Zion 3, PEARL VALLEY 26, PILGRIM'S REST 46, PINE BLUFF 71, PLEASANT HILL 38, POPLAR SPRINGS 30, ROCKPORT 10, SARDIS 35, SHADY GROVE 50, SMYRNA 32, SPRING HILL 61, STRONG HOPE 56, SYLVARENA 40, and WESSON 135.

Philadelphia Approves Free Trial Plan

Philadelphia Church, Lafayette County, is one of the many churches that has had the Baptist Record on trial for a few weeks and found the Record satisfactory. Recently James W. Busby of the Philadelphia Church wrote that the church wanted to continue the EVERY FAMILY Plan after having had it on trial.

The free trial plan is available for any church in Mississippi.

Record readers in Lafayette county are now listed as follows: Bay Springs, 8; Abbeville, 8; ANCHOR, 21; Bethel, 17; CLEAR CREEK, 51; DELAY, 22; New Hope, 18; NEW PROSPECT, 65; OXFORD, 71; Paris, 1; SHILOH, 29; TAYLOR, 19; TULA, 43; UNION WEST, 32; PHILADELPHIA, 38 NORTH OXFORD, 92.

Marks

While Dr. I. D. Eavenson, the pastor, was vacationing in Ridgecrest and Washington, D. C., I had the privilege of preaching for him at Marks. The people speak in highest terms of Pastor Eavenson and are following his leadership in a fine way. All of the organizations are prospering.

Record readers in Riverside Association are now listed as follows: BELEN 24, CROWDER 123, DALLAS 49, HOLLYWOOD 25, LAMBERT 105, MARKS 149, SLEDGE 27, Adams Memorial Fairview 2, CLARKSDALE 295, Jonestown 19, LULA 68, LYON 53, Reynolds Memorial 2, Union Chapel 1, FAIRHAVEN 22, DUNDEE 31, and TUNICA 122.

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According to a comparison of 1951 and 1952 receipts made by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Mississippi gave \$14,506 more through the Cooperative Program in 1952 through July than in 1952 during the same months. But to designate causes during the same period last year's figure was exceeded by \$37,509.

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

For August 24

DAVID BECOMES KING

Bible Texts: I Samuel 16-23:18; II Samuel 1-5:5.

I. Evidence of Saul's Degeneracy And Prophecy of his Downfall.

Jealousy! That's it! Well, what is that? Jealousy is the sullen and angry acknowledgement of inferiority. Why should I be jealous of another man's preaching? Because I think he is a better one than I am, and my feeling is an acknowledgment that I so think. Why should I be jealous of another man's position but that I want it and am afraid my ability is too small to roll him out of it.

Poor Saul had this to torture him. He saw in young David a man of rare promise of ability as a leader of men, whereas Saul himself had been found wanting. He had failed to obey Jehovah absolutely, as Jehovah's servant is bound to do, and Saul saw David acting in perfect devotion to Jehovah and poor Saul could but be jealous. With his loss of favor with God, Saul's popularity with the people declined; and as that process continued, He could but mark the rising popularity of David and the Jealousy of Saul grew. In the process of the growth of jealousy in any heart there is always a downward tendency which finds its terrible end in complete collapse of all that is good in the life.

II. David the Friend

There is something good in any man who can be a real friend. "A friend of mine". But you do not mean by that to say that he would approve just anything you did? The real friend would ask you, beg you, beseech you to avoid the wicked way and the wrong word. You say that fellow (I use the word in its English sense as meaning an inferior character) is your friend, and yet he enticed you to take your first drink even after you had told him of your purpose to leave the stuff alone? Your friend, and yet he tried to induce you to join him in the doing of some lawless deed, or the commission of some indecent or scurrilous act? Be not deceived! The poor dupe of the devil may not himself know the truth of the matter, but he is not your friend. David's purpose toward Jonathan and Jonathan's purpose toward him, was to do good, each to the other, as long as they two should live and to that purpose they both remained constant. Nothing Saul ever did to David, or tried to do, cooled David's friendship for the son of the poor unhappy Saul. And for Jonathan's sake, nay, for Saul's sake also, since David would not forget the years wherein Saul was friendly to him, David remained friendly to the family of Saul.

III. David the Popular Idol

He was good looking. That is something. A man who has good looks as he starts to make a life, has in his good looks a fine asset.

But David had much more than that. He was of a sympathetic nature. People in trouble came to him for help and advice. When he took refuge in the cave of Adullam, there resorted to him a large number of people in distress, and why? David had no fortune with which to reward them for their service to him. It was not for that, but because David showed himself to be friendly.

David was daring. He went out as a youth against Goliath of Gath and bested him in single combat, and this in spite of the fact that Goliath was of gigantic stature and herculean strength. The fame of this exploit went abroad in the land, and when afterwards in later combat he distinguished himself for courage, the women sang, "Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten-thousands". David's popularity steadily grew because he was a man of brave heart.

But most of all the causes that led to David's popularity was the fact that he trusted God. A man of pleasing personality, yes, but he achieved that attractiveness because he looked to God and shaped his life according to the counsel of God. Slew Goliath? But little David did not go to Goliath in his own strength, but in the strength of the Lord God Almighty. And all the while that Saul was trying to take David's life, he looked to Jehovah for protection and deliverance.

IV. David of the Forgiving Heart

That is a difficult characteristic for some people to maintain. There are too many of us who echo the sentiment expressed by Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice: "Let me get him once upon the hip, and I'll feed fat the ancient grudge I bear him". Not so was it with David! Once and again he could have slain Saul and few people would have blamed him, but David, no doubt, pitied Saul as a poor unfortunate periodically insane, who must not, in his spells of madness be held accountable for his conduct in his times of delirium. But this is not the greatest thing in David's sparing of Saul: Saul was the anointed of the Lord; hence to be left to mercy of the Lord; and above this, David just would not let his enemy make himself the object of David's hate. David knew the danger to its owner of a hateful heart, the peril of a malicious soul. But better he knew the joy of being able to look all men in the face and wish them well.

V. David the Worker

A great preacher said in my presence today, "There are two kinds of people in the world, the passengers and the producers, those who merely pass through the world and those who produce goodness of various kinds while passing through." There are two kinds of people in the world, the lifters and the leaners. There are heavy loads to lift along the way we go. Somebody has to lift at them. You may lift if you will.

To which of these classes, think you, did David belong? When Saul was troubled, distraught and downhearted, who was it drove the clouds of trouble from him with the strains of soothing music? When misfortune overtook him,



MISS. ZULA E. COON

Coming to join the Mississippi College music department faculty when the fall term opens in Clinton September 8 is Miss Zula E. Coon, a native of Caney, Kansas. Miss Coon is the author of O Worship the King, a 1951 publication of the Broadman Press.

Miss Coon, who has had many years of teaching experience with the faculties of Mars Hill College and Southwest (Missouri) Baptist College, holds the Bachelor of Music Degree from the University of Kansas, as well as the Master of Religious Education degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Further study that Miss Coon has done includes a year of advanced work in voice at the Kansas City Conservatory, as well as work with the famed Christiansen Choral School and with the Fred Waring Workshop.

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Rev. G. C. Sansing, pastor of Siloam Church, West Point, did the preaching at the recent revival at Hebron Church in Clay County. Mr. Sansing was formerly pastor of the Siloam Church.

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The assurance that to be in the center of God's will, even in the midst of uncertainties, dangers, and difficulties, is infinitely better than to be out of his will in a place of relative security and stability has served to strengthen our determination to be found serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the place to which he has called us. —James D. Belote, missionary to Hong Kong.

how did he find strength to buffet it? First, he looked to his God, and then, he undertook the lightening of the burdens of those who were in trouble. Some of these were not, perhaps, in as sore an estate as David was, but he nevertheless, shared the sufferer's burden. Perhaps his songs were first of all, the outpouring of his own joys and praises, his own sorrows and griefs. He had no thought that the songs he sang would one day bring joy to you and gladness out of your trouble, or furnish the measures in which you might express your gratitude and love and praise to God, but they have done all that for millions of people who do not even know that David sang in Hebrew. So always the life of the person who works and walks for God, the producer, the lifter.

New Church Organized in Laurel Community By Glade Church

A Baptist church was organized Sunday afternoon, August 10, in the Antioch community near Laurel, under the auspices of the Glade Church, Rev. Fred Williams, pastor.

Following a two-week tent revival meeting, twenty-nine charter members, five of whom were received on profession of faith, banded together and asked that the Glade church assist them in the organization.

The organization was affected with the Rev. Mr. Williams serving as temporary moderator. The Rev. S. W. Monk was elected permanent moderator of the new church, and Mrs. Willard Jenkins was elected clerk.

Rev. H. J. Rushing of West Laurel Church preached the afternoon sermon. The first business conference of the new church was held immediately after the organization. At this meeting, W. C. Temple was elected church treasurer and a building committee of seven members was elected. Another committee was named to present a name for the new church. The church voted to call the Rev. Mr. Williams to serve as supply pastor until a pastor can be secured.

The new church began as a mission of the Glade Church four weeks ago. The Glade Church started with 32 charter members five and a half years ago, and now numbers over 350 in membership.

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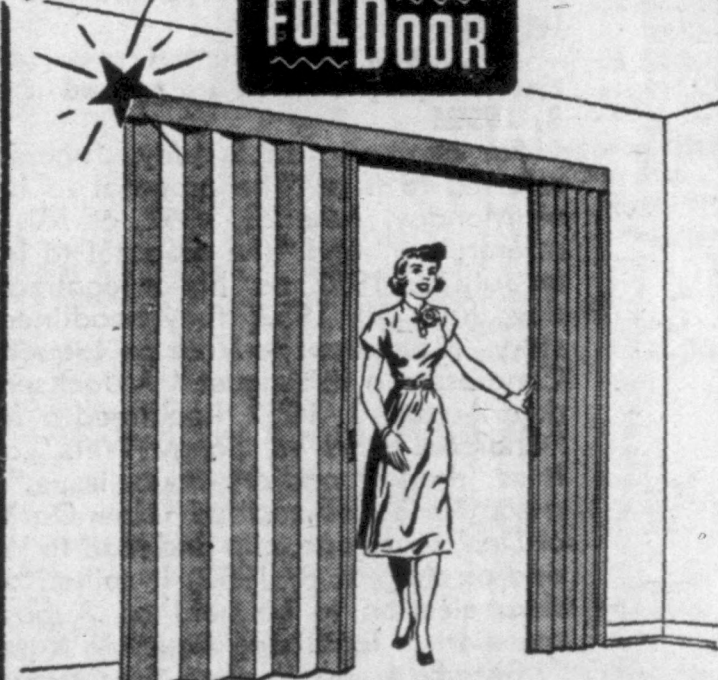
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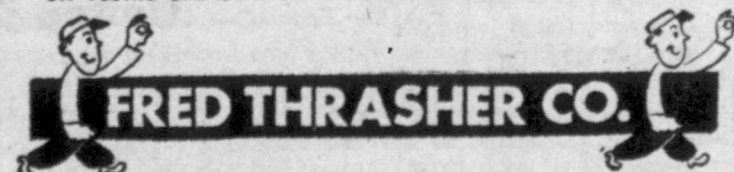
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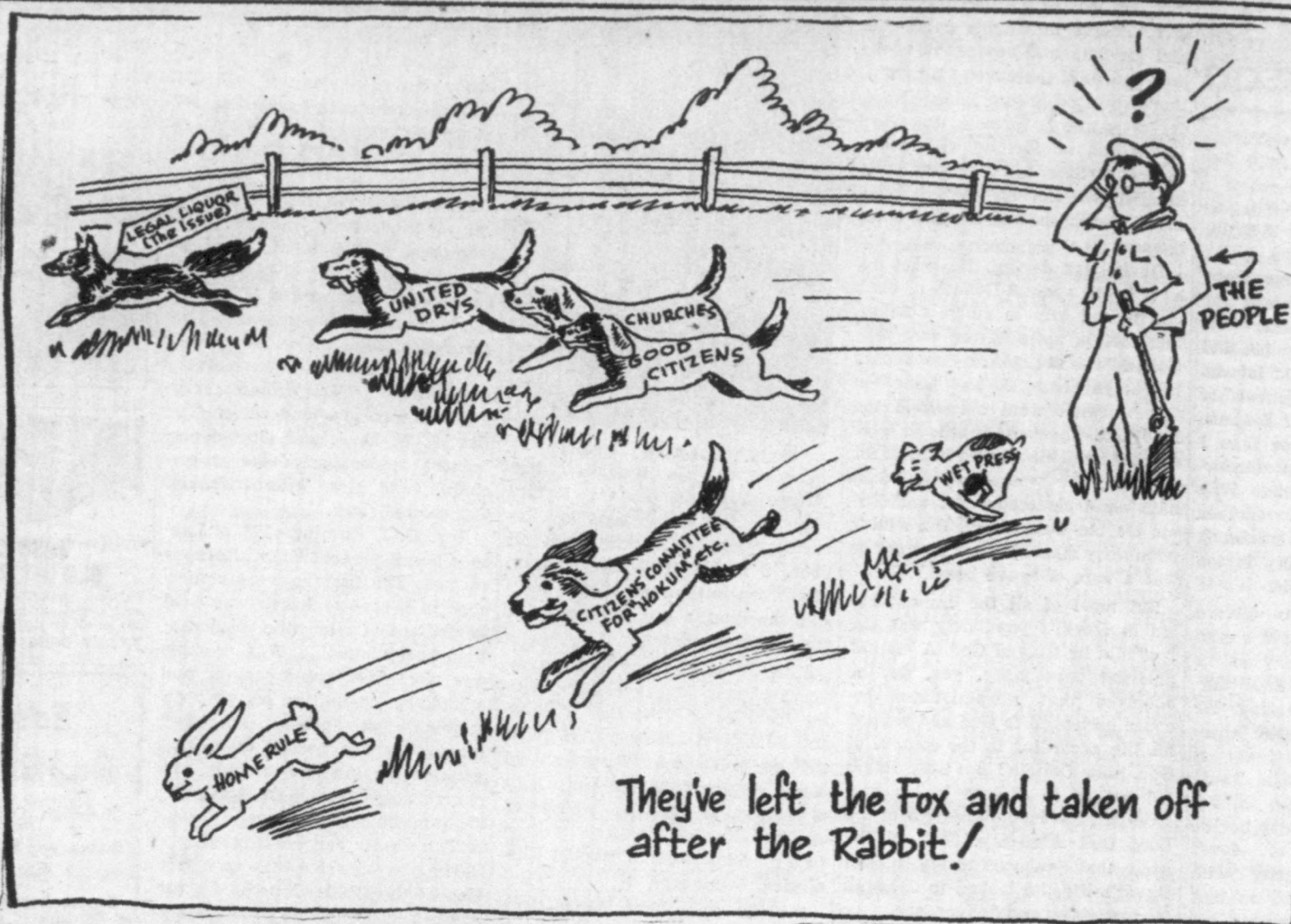
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The Legislature called Senate Bill 565 a whiskey bill.

"An act to refer to the electorate at the first Democratic primary election in August 1952, the question 'for' or 'against' the **legalized sale of intoxicating liquor** of an alcoholic content of more than 4% by weight in the State of Mississippi on a county option basis."

The "question" was "legalized sale of intoxicating liquor!"

The press, even the wet press, called the election a liquor election up to and including August 3, 1952!

For example, on Sunday, June 22, 1952, they referred to it as "the proposal to legalize liquor;" on Monday, June 23, 1952, as Mississippi's liquor referendum" and "the proposal to legalize liquor;" on July 25, 1952, as "liquor legalization." On Monday, June 30, 1952, they headlined a front page story "Mississippi to Vote on Liquor Repeal, Seven Congressmen in August." A Jackson paper on Friday, August 1, 1952, headlined a front page story "Charcoal Drys vs. Soggy Wets" and referred to it as "the wet and dry liquor issue." It also carried a sample ballot entitled "How Do You Vote? Wet or Dry? Mark one, clip and mail to Wet-Dry Editor," and on August 3, 1952, it talked of "the referendum election to be held on August 26th on the question of legalizing liquor in Mississippi."

Everybody up to that time thought this was a whiskey election!

BUT on August 4, 1952:—

Along comes somebody calling himself or themselves the Citizens Committee for Home Rule and Local Law Enforcement and tells us that we have all been mistaken! That home rule is the only issue and that this is not a whiskey election or a wet and dry election at all and charges the United Drys, an association composed of church and civic leaders well-known to everybody, **not with simply being mistaken but with deliberately lying about the bill**, misleading the people about the issues and seeking to carry their point by any means however despicable! And the wet press immediately took up the cry!

Of course they are fooling no one but themselves! You can define the issues for yourself! You know it is **still a whiskey election** just like it has always been!

But if you are confused or bumbuzzled by this strange development in the campaign, ask yourself reasonably who is trying to mislead you, the church and civic leaders of your state, your neighbors and friends, whom you know—or this anonymous committee. **Ask yourself what the interests of the parties are!**

Make them get back on the track and face the **Real Issue—Legal Whiskey**, and give us facts in its behalf, if any they have, instead of trying to inject an issue that has been settled already for all time to come in Mississippi!

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